

REMARKS

A Notice of Allowance was mailed in the present case on July 5, 2006. In the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner asked the Applicant to make certain drawing changes by adding cross-hatching in the figures to reflect the non-metallic nature of the inner tubular. Applicant is submitting six (6) sheets of replacement drawings to replace the informal drawings originally filed in the case. Applicant has also added six sheets of annotated drawings which indicate the added cross-hatching in red to assist the Office in following the changes.

No additional fee is thought to be due at this time. If any additional fee is due for the continued prosecution of this application, please charge the same to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 50-2555 (Whitaker, Chalk, Swindle & Sawyer, LLP).

Respectfully submitted,

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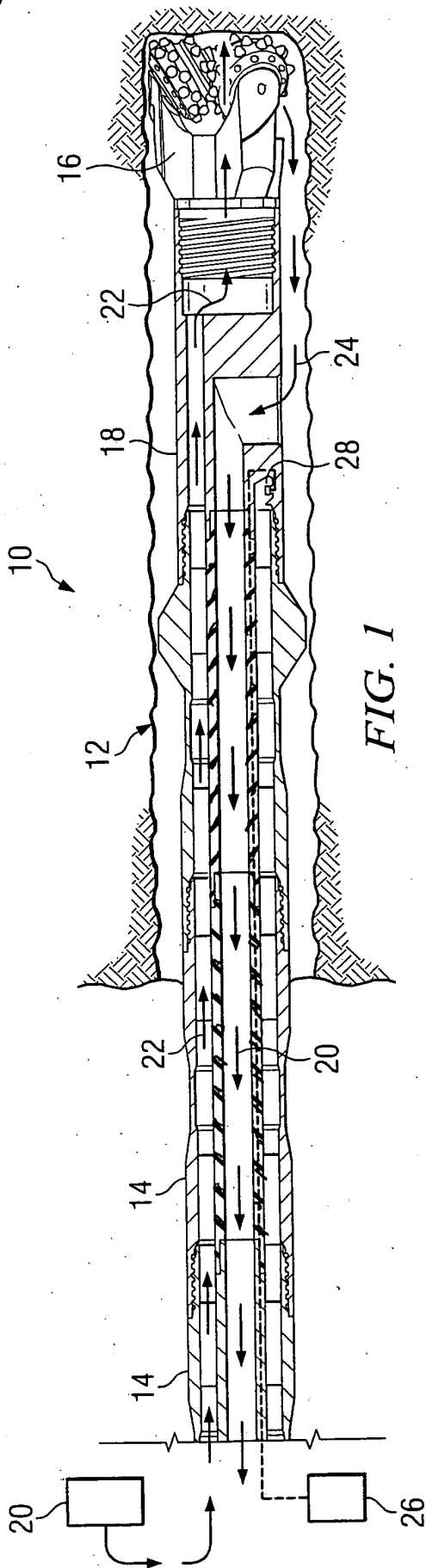
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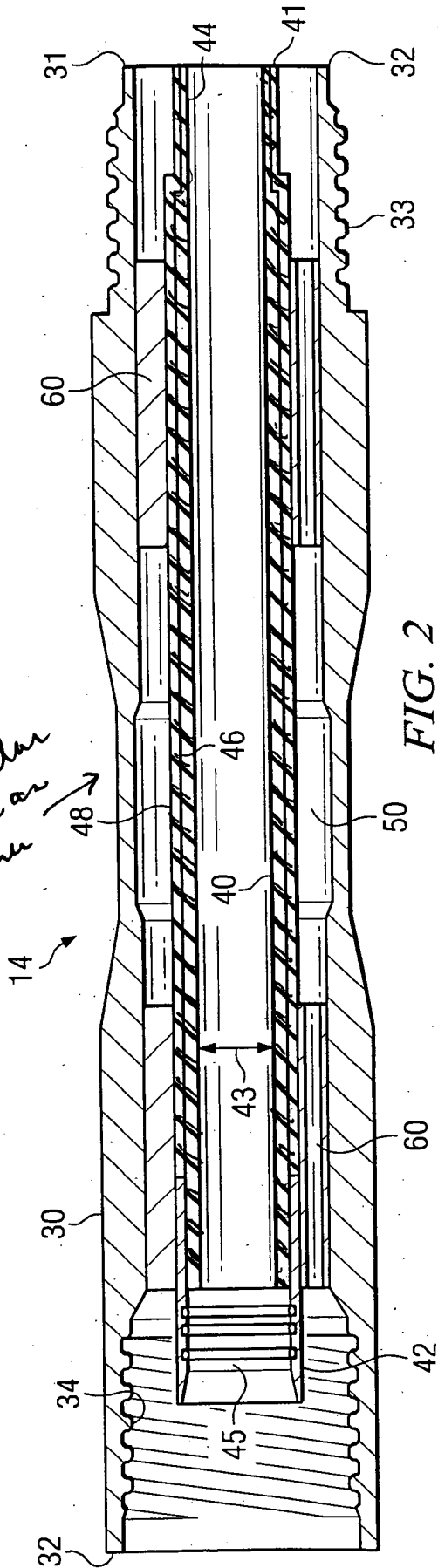
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Inner tubular
 reshaped as
 elastomer



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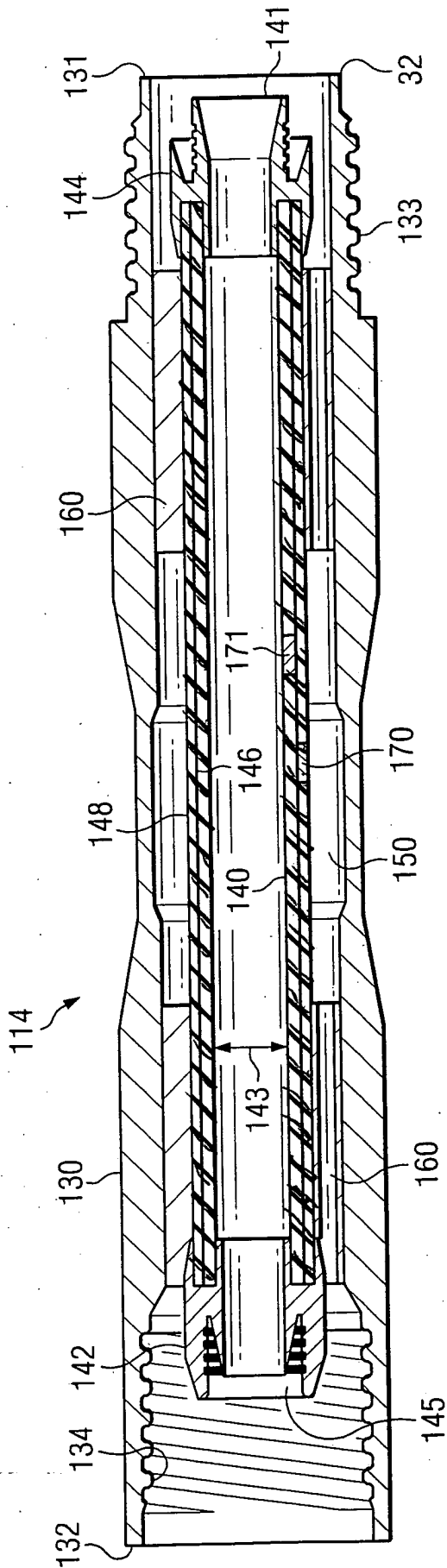


FIG. 3

Inner tubular
 excluded as
 elastomer 144A

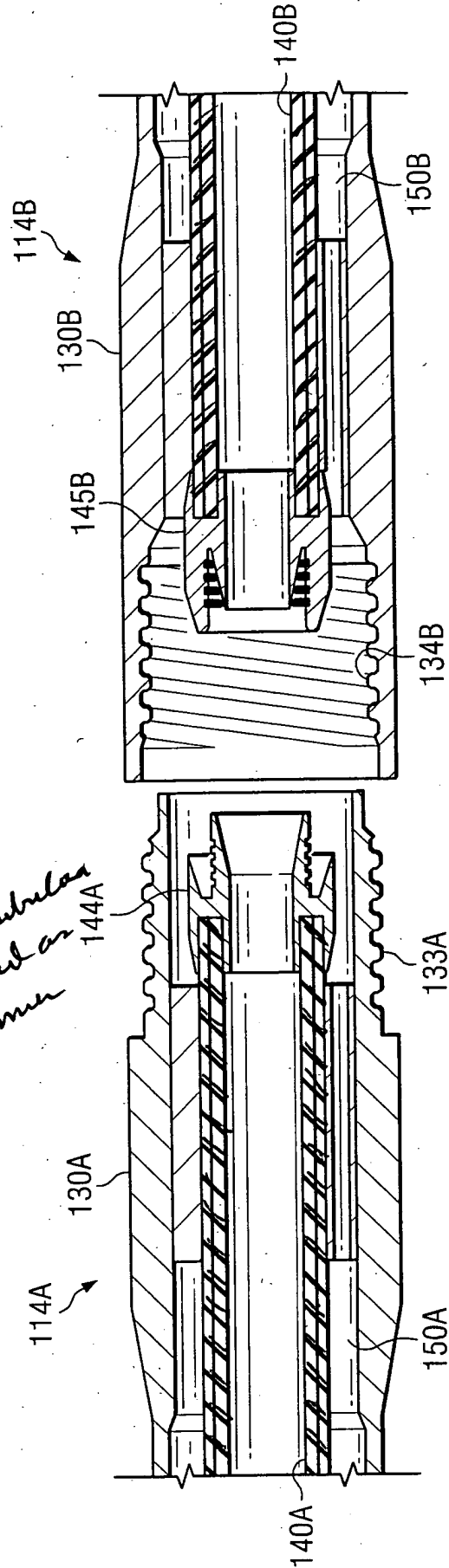


FIG. 4A

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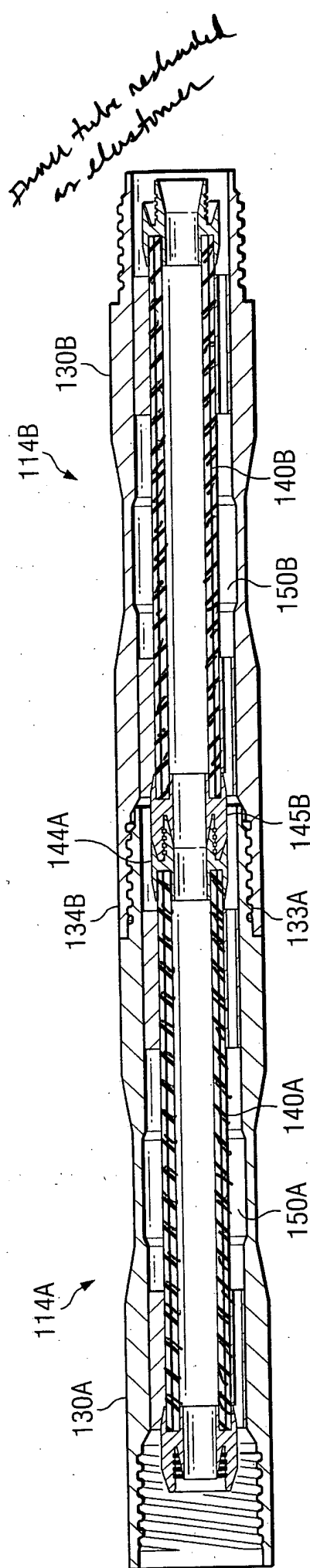


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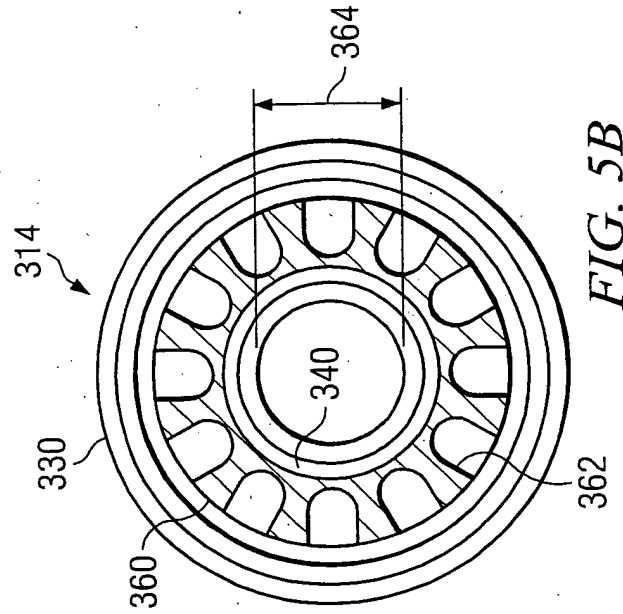


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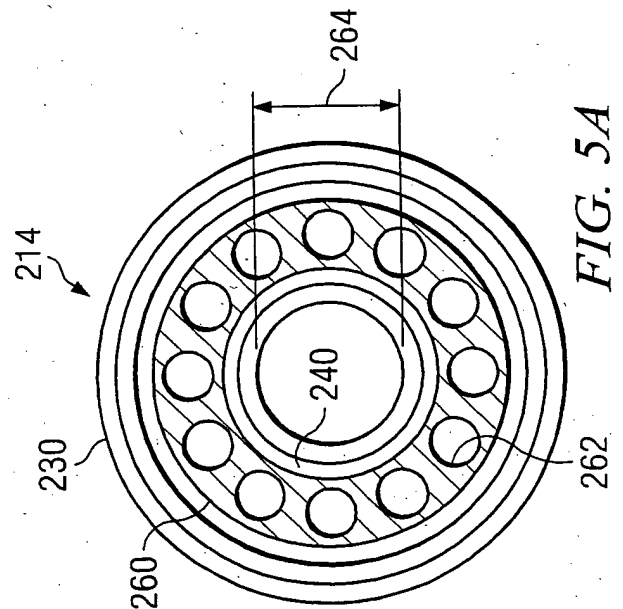


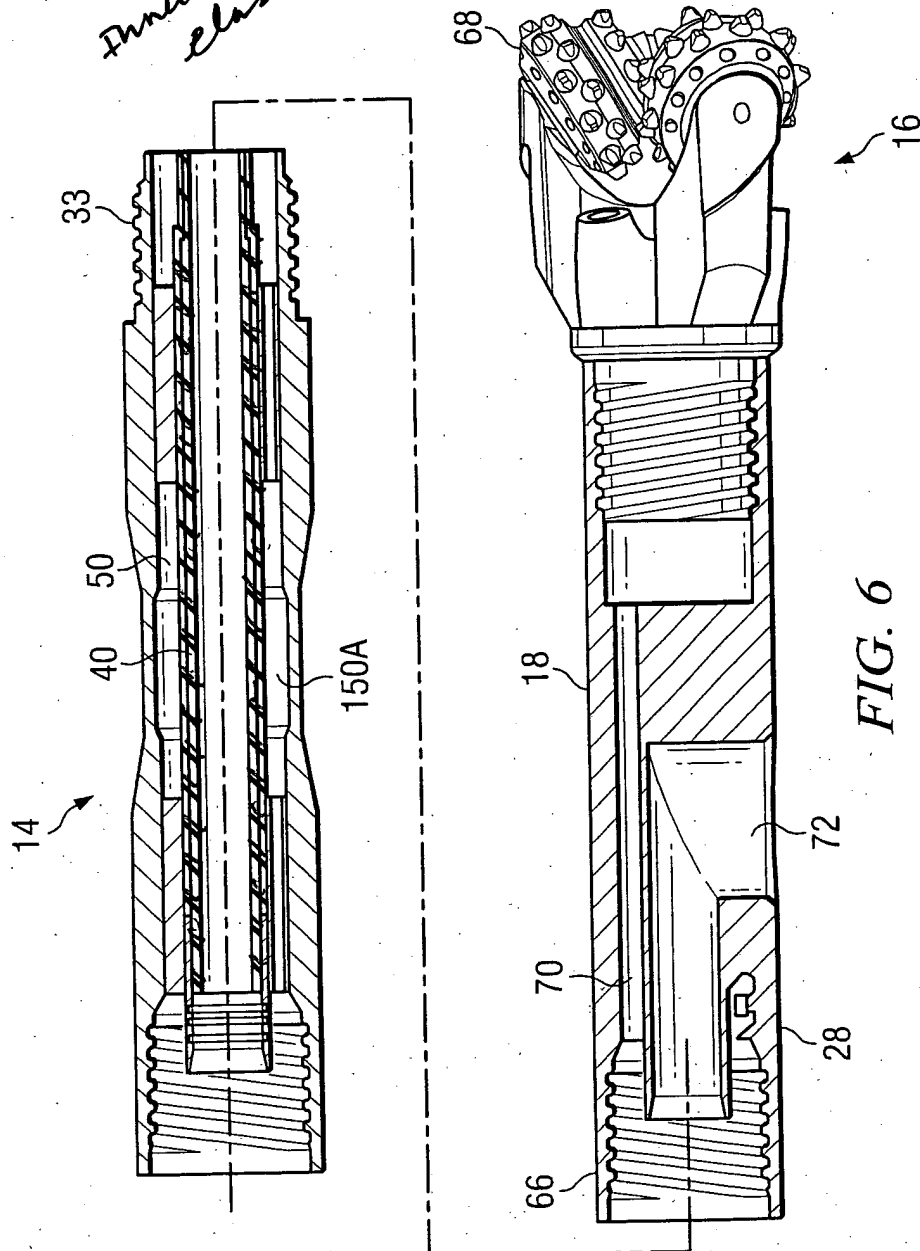
FIG. 5A

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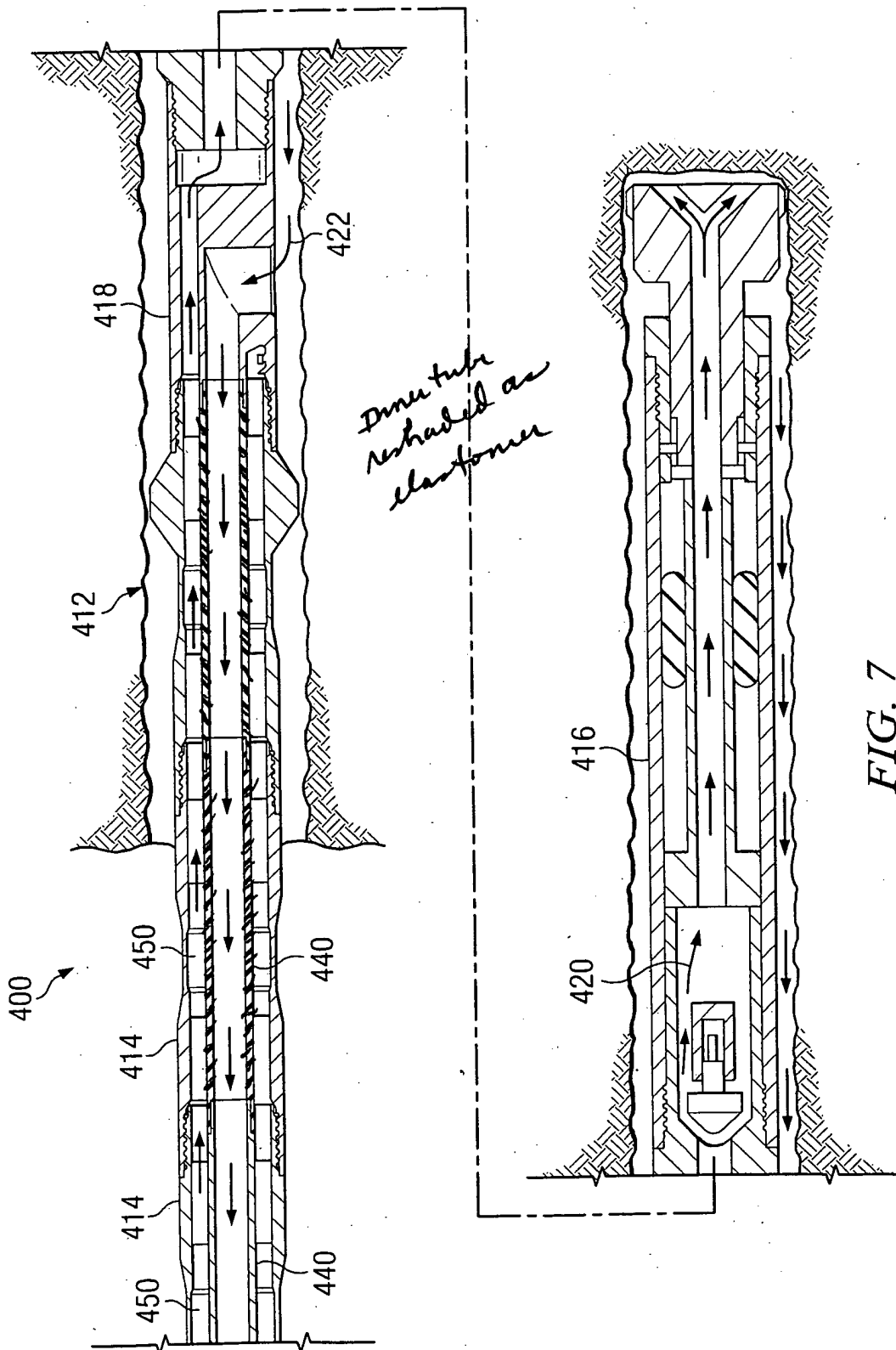
Inner tube recessed on elastomer



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